

BPC PRESCHOOL COVID-19 RESPONSE FOR 2022-2023

Policies will be re-evaluated throughout the year based on CDC and ODJFS Guidelines in order to provide the best possible care for students and staff.

As with any communicable disease, families will be notified only if there is an outbreak in your child's classroom.

SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19

- People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported - ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear **2-14 days after exposure to the virus.**

People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

- Fever or chills
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Fatigue
 - Muscle or body aches
 - Headache
 - New loss of taste or smell
 - Sore throat
 - Congestion or runny nose
 - Nausea or vomiting
 - Diarrhea
- **Students and staff experiencing ANY of these symptoms** should stay home until they are symptom-free for 24 hrs. without medication.

SCREENING OF STAFF AND STUDENTS

- All staff and families are asked to conduct a daily health/symptom self-evaluation prior to leaving for school each day. They are to stay home if symptomatic.
- No one will be allowed in the building with a temperature over 100 degrees and may not return until they have been symptom free and fever free for 24 hours without fever reducing medicine.
- If a child comes to school with any of the symptoms above, the child will be removed from the group and the parent will be called to pick up their child.

COVID-19 POSITIVE

Positive Covid-19 test result for student or staff:

- Days 1-5 (Day 1 being the first full day after your symptoms developed or your test specimen was collected): Student/staff stays home.
- Days 6-10: As long as symptoms are improving and the student/staff remains fever-free 24 hrs. (with-out meds) he/she can return to school.
- Days 6-10: The student/staff will be required to mask.
- Day 11: Mask optional.

CLEANING PROTOCOLS

- Bay Presbyterian Church and Preschool will follow all CDC and CCBH recommendations. We currently use hospital grade cleaning products.
- Bathrooms
Cleaning will be done after each use, between class groupings, and a nightly cleaning by our hired cleaning personnel.
- Classrooms
Disinfectant spray will be used at the end of each class on chairs, tables, and educational materials. A thorough, nightly cleaning will also be done by our hired cleaning personnel.
- High touch surface areas
Regular cleaning of high touch areas will be done throughout the day, between class groupings, and a nightly cleaning by our hired cleaning personnel.
- Handwashing procedures for students and staff
 - Upon entrance into classroom
 - Prior to eating/after eating
 - Before/after outdoor time
 - Prior to going home
 - After sneezing or coughing

AIR FLOW/VENTILATION:

- To help minimize the spread of COVID in the classrooms, we've made some adjustments to our HVAC system operations.
 - The main way for the system to help is to exchange the air with outside air as often as possible.
 - This is accomplished in two ways.
 - The system and air exchanger fans are set to run for longer periods of time prior to and all through class time.
 - The mechanical system that determines how much outside air is brought in has been adjusted to maximize that process.
- Filtration is the other factor, and we've revised our filter exchange schedule to ensure clean, clear filters on a consistent basis.
- Classrooms will have windows open/cracked throughout class time. The top of the dutch-door in each classroom will remain open to help with airflow in the classrooms.